## HOUSE RESOLUTION 293 By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Robert L. Crawford of Somerville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Robert L. Crawford; and

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee have been fortunate through the years to have been served by public servants who dedicate their lives to increasing the welfare of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crawford was one such outstanding man who dedicated his professional life to protecting and serving his community; and

WHEREAS, born on October 17, 1944, in Shelby County, he was the son of Robert M. Crawford and the late Helen Christine Peterson Crawford, and he was educated in the public schools of Williston, Macon, and Somerville; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, he served his fellow man in a remarkable number of endeavors; a former member of the Tennessee National Guard, he was employed by the Fayette County Department of Public Works at the time of his passing; and

WHEREAS, a man of unsurpassed talent and dedication, he previously served gallantly as a Tennessee Highway Patrolman, an officer for the Somerville Police Department, and a probation officer for the Corrections Management Corporation; and

WHEREAS, known throughout the community for his leadership, he also served with acumen and alacrity as a Fayette County Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, his professional and civic accomplishments aside, Mr. Crawford was deeply devoted to his family and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he will be greatly missed by his wife, Judy Smith Crawford; sons, Ken
Crawford and Kevin Crawford; father, Robert M. Crawford; and two grandchildren; and
WHEREAS, a devout Christian, he was a member of the Somerville First Baptist Church;
and

WHEREAS, Robert L. Crawford leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity, probity and valor in his public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should join all Tennesseans in remembering the bountiful life of this courageous public servant and exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Robert L. Crawford, recalling his impeccable character, unquestionable valor, and stalwart commitment to living an exemplary life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Crawford.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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